

DAILY COURIER.

LOUISVILLE.

SATURDAY MORNING..... MAY 4.

The Election To-Day.

Some member of the Virginia State Convention having suggested the holding a Conference between delegates representing each of the Border Slave States, in reference to our national troubles, Kentucky, not disengaged by the failure of former efforts to bring about an adjustment on some terms between the sections, promptly acted upon the suggestion; and, to give more weight to the voice of her representatives in that body, the Legislature passed a law providing for an election by the people for delegates.

In accordance with the provisions of that law, delegates to the Border Slave State Conference will be elected by the people of the State to-day.

The names of candidates were announced for this position, and a canvass between them commenced.

But the failure of Virginia to appoint del., etc., or take steps to be represented in the conference, and her subsequent withdrawal from the Union, with the certainty that neither Arkansas, Tennessee, or North Carolina would send delegates, and the inauguration of war against the South by the Abolition Administration in sending a fleet and army to Charleston, and the proclamations of the President that followed in this act, in the opinion of Southern Rights men made it inexpedient and injurious to protract a political contest which was serving to perpetuate party differences and so to keep those apart whose interests and safety could be best promoted and secured by their cordial and earnest co-operation. In their opinion, the glory of a political triumph over friends and the barren honors of a fruitless victory would not justify a course of action which could only produce such results.

The Southern Rights ticket was withdrawn, and as the other party thought the equivocal endorsement of an election of their candidate under such circumstances worth striving for, their candidates will to-day, without opposition, be gratified by their election to the proposed conference, their ambition will be best satisfied, and upon them will be devolved the duty of announcing to the people of the State that no settlement can be made, that no compromise will be agreed to by the North, that nothing short of a strict and unconditional submission to the demands of the Administration and the secessionists in the Blue of the Black Republican party will satisfy those who have destroyed the Constitution and subverted the government of our fathers.

A portion of the gentlemen who will be elected today to this Conference, which will never be held, had an opportunity of testing the disposition of those whom they yet call "brothers." A portion of these gentlemen—Messrs. CRITTENDEN, GUTHRIE, BENT, and MOREHEAD—united their efforts at a time much more favorable for adjustment than the present to attempt to bring about some compromise, but in vain. The North, whose "broken faith" and "bad fellowship" and "palpably unjust and unconstitutional" claims, they bring the Judges, provoked the South into separation and independence, refused to accept any terms which even these gentlemen could agree to; and now, when, solitary and alone, our delegates to the Border Slave State Conference meet, they make no proposition, we care not what it is, short of the unconditional and absolute surrender of the Liberties of the State and a direct acquiescence in the subversion of the Federal Government, that will not be scorned and spurned upon and kicked from them by the people of the Free States, as was Christopher GARRISON, and the plans of BROWN, and DOUGLASS, and all others who desired peace and union, and as Gov. MAGOFFIN's proposition to the Governors of Ohio and Indiana a few days since.

The representatives elected to day to the Border Slave State Conference will meet it is said and act. If no other State shall be represented, this will probably be the case. There will be no differing opinions, no wrangling and quarreling, no taking up of arms to leave the room because no propositions are made; and their proposition, whatever it may be, will, we suppose, be presented to the Administration or to Congress. They will have it in their own hands, and when they cannot submit any plan or proposition which the usurpers at Washington will accept, we trust their friends will be brought to confess that the enslavement of the South is the purpose of the Northern people. And so the people of Kentucky may be united by this means, if the thunder of the enemies' guns along our border shall not have made them one in thought, determination, and action before that time.

GARRETT DAVIS—the little President of Bourbon County—has been to Washington, a self-constituted commissioner from Kentucky to the "President and some of the members of his Cabinet."

It is probable he consulted with some of the fossil leaders of those with whom he acts here before going. It is possible that thinking his presence more potent than a dispatch from the venerable though weak old Clerk of the Court of Appeals, he went to Washington to see about getting arms with which to fight in the Union. We do not think the bellicose little giant wants anything on the peace establishment from the Administration. And we conies we don't know he is patriotic enough to go to the Capital City from entirely disinterested motives or curious enough to do so merely to make a noise; or, if incurious enough doubts the purposes of these in power in the face of a long and arduous and the War Proclamations.

But he has "boom and goes and does it." Mr. DAVIS has had an interview with the President. The impression made upon his mind of the disposition of Mr. LINCOLN has been published. The Journal is obliged to print the letter of this venerable "reded statesman." It is better pleased with this exposition of the policy of the Administration than it was with the war proclamation, or had previously been with the Indianapolis speech. Mr. DAVIS evidently thinks the President means peace—that he doesn't want to hurt anybody—that he has called out a hundred and fifty thousand men, and burned the fleet ships in the navy, and destroyed the Government works at Harper's Ferry, and sent an army and fleet to Charleston, only to show the world what he could do if he were to go to war in earnest! And the Journal certainly agrees with Mr. DAVIS; and the indi-wingers will only come to the conclusion that it does not look so good as it did.

It does not look so good to me, either, without the authority of the President. Montgomery. Her position is one of defense. She is ready and amply prepared to defend her soil, her brave men, and her women, and to make the world see that she has a right to do so. Her people will meet the world with a determination that not one Northern invader shall return to tell the tale of their wrongs.

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The appointment of Gen. Lee has given the utmost confidence to the people of the State; they feel that his wisdom, prudence, and courage, attested by unprecedented success, will be the salvation of the South.

He has, by his striking exertion, and good judgment, and should Mr. Lincoln, taking the foxy advice of his Northern myrmidons, undertake to invade Virginia, he will be met by Gen. Lee. The unlawful seizure of the Annapolis and Washington Railroad, the disregard of the protest of the authorities of Maryland, and the landing of troops across her soil, in the name of the Union, will be met by Gen. Lee, in the name of the South.

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